## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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- 1. On 1 September 1953, the East China Military Area Command was to open a staff officers training class in Nanking under CHOU Chun-ming (0719/7486/7686), deputy chief of staff of the East China Military Area. The training class, which was for chiefs of staff and staff officers of battalion to divisional level, was to include the following subjects:
  - a. Planning of joint combat operations with specialized troop units.
  - b. Staff officer responsibilities.
  - c. Coordination of troop units according to combat experience.
- 2. The first training class, which was to last for 23 months, was to comprise 318 persons, including 10 chiefs of staff of divisional level, 228 chiefs of staff of regimental level, and 85 batallion-level chiefs of staff.
- 25X1A 1. Comment. The figure given is obviously excessive and may have been garbled. Possibly 22 or 28 was intended.

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